Dear Calyton, 12/1/97

Sorry I could not send this immediately but first my inability to find the other copy I believed might be clearer and then the kinds of unexpected medical problems that are not uncommon at our ages plus a few things that had to be done immediately caused it.

The way I've been going over the retyping is that I keep the retyped copy on a clipboard because I must keep my legs up (right now my left leg is higher than my heart so my poor typing is worse!) with the rough draft to my left. I check it when necessary and as I turn the pages of it, having asked those who do the retyping to mark what is unclear or seems wrong with a highlighter, I am always looking for highlighting, or it. I use a red pen in making corrections (not a few of which may be what I should have caught when I read the rough) and put a paperclip on that page to attract the retypers attention and when the corrections are returned, my attention.

If you want a copy, feel free to make one for yourself. Please keep the diskette so you can make corrections and it will probably be after they are made that you may want a copy.

I've rushed excessively with all these manuscripts because I want to get what I can on paper while I can. The mass is greater than the quality but I know of no factual errors in any of them. Which by now are more than the 12 McKnight referred to.

My concern is not style, which others can correct. It is getting as much down, done, as possible while I can. My doctors have given me up three times and I've written five manuscripts after the last time! (I see him tomorrow, the one who saved my life by rushing me from the local hospital to Johns Hopkins, and if he does not express amazement when I walk it, that will be the first time he hasn't.)

If you are in this area again I hope you have the time to take a look at what will be at Hood and what I've written since the second time I was given up. I've got two other manuscripts started and now I'll return to one to them.

All the boxes I have are too large, Sorry about having to use this bashed one but I hope the cardboard keeps the pages clear, not dogeared. And I hope you can find a stationary box for what you retype. I suggest you may want to hold it until you have finish it. Things my suggest themselves.

We've been using an inch margin right and left and double-spacing.

Hope your holiday was a good one. Thanks and best wishes, Harold Weisberg

Harold